

COMMUNITY APPEARANCE COMMISSION Minutes

March 2, 2016

The meeting of the Salisbury Community Appearance Commission was called to order at 4 p.m. Tuesday, March 2, 2016, by Vice-Chair Karl Sale, in the Council Chamber, 217 South Main Street, Salisbury, North Carolina.

The following members were present and absent:

Present: Levonia Corry, Nathan Coyle, Jane Creech, Deborah Harris, Shelley Harper Palmer, Karl Sale, and Jessica Vess

Absent: Carlton Jackson, Raemi Evans, Diane Hundley, and Tamara Sheffield

Staff: Diana Moghrabi and Lynn Raker

Council Liaison: Maggie Blackwell

The February 3, 2016, minutes were received as published.

COMMITTEES

Neighborhoods and Education Committee

The Neighborhood Leaders Alliance had to change the meeting date from Thursday, March 17, 2016, at 4 p.m. at One Water Street meeting room to Wednesday, April 13, at 4 p.m. The room has been reserved.

Public Art Committee

The First United Methodist Church purchased a sculpture entitled, "Continuum" by artist Jodi Hollnagel-Jubran for their permanent collection. Hood Theological Seminary is purchasing Matt Amante's "3-Stack." There has been a total of four sculptures purchased this year.

The Public Art Committee is working on an installment to be ready for the commemoration of George Washington's 1791 visit here 225 years ago. Through a donation, the Public Art Committee has commissioned a piece to celebrate Washington's visit to Salisbury. Lynn will have pictures next month. The proposal is going before the Historic Preservation Commission next week. The Rowan Museum has approved the sculpture proposal and the Public Art Committee has approved this proposed steel sculpture that will be permanently installed on the lawn near the sidewalk on the north side of the 1854 Courthouse a.k.a. The Rowan Museum.

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The first sculpture of the 2016 Sculpture Show was installed today at Livingstone College. Karl said that the New Sarum Brewery is interested in placing a sculpture on their site.

Grants Committee

Karl reported that the committee reviewed Michael Young's property to open as the Smoke Pit at 115-117 East Innes Street for an Innes Street Grant. They approved a grant of up to \$2,500 for uplighting and gooseneck lighting. The committee approved \$1,700 for planters in front of the Integro building at 301 S. Main Street. Lynn will discuss the size and shape of the planters with the owners.

Landscape of the Month

The Landscape of the Month Committee will start up again in April. Please nominate your favorite.

Biennial Awards

The awards will be held March 3, 2016, at the Aymer Center located at the Hood Theological Seminary.

Membership

New members were not appointed at City Council last night—only the reappointments were made. Nathan Coyle was reappointed to the CAC. Deborah Harris will be rolling off the CAC. New appointments will be recommended to the Mayor.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Karl noticed some improvement on Jake Alexander Boulevard regarding trash. Julian Road (South bound) was reported having a trash problem. Lynn will check to see what roads are contracted by the city for cleanup. Eleventh Street needs attention, too. She will determine an appropriate course with city staff members.
- Members of the CAC asked why the city was not fully staffed. Maggie Blackwell addressed the staffing challenges facing the city.
- City Council now meets at 5 p.m. with public comment at 6 p.m.
- Jessica Vess and Karl Sale reviewed the sign committee discussions. The next meeting is March 8 at 2:30 p.m. They are due a draft of the proposed sign ordinance. Many CAC members now and in previous years, are not in favor of electronic billboards. They are distracting, visually polluting and do not lean to the character of Salisbury. Nathan recommended going to Mooresville to see the electronic sign at Auto House. Proceed with caution.
- Donovan Hamm has secured a sponsor for dumpsters in the Green Hills Neighborhood.
 This a long-term priority for the CAC who is paying the tipping fees and for "pickers" out of the programs budget.

The meeting adjourned.